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Dear Paul:

I appreciate your sending me the texts of your recent speeches on strategic developments and arms control.

There is an aspect of this that I believe has received insufficient attention -- that is, continuing, high priority Soviet work on SDI-type technologies. I have had prepared by one of our leading experts an unclassified review of Soviet work in this area. I forward it to you in the event that you may wish to draw upon it in some respect in your public remarks. I have provides copies also to Jay Keyworth, John Poindexter, Fred Ikle and Ken Dam.

For what it is worth, I am sorry that your speeches have not received more thorough attention from the media; I suppose it is because they are thoughtful, balanced and have some historical perspective.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Gates
Deputy Director for Intelligence

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